

Abstract of the Disclosure

5 An interactive television program guide  
system with program series reminder and recording  
capabilities is provided. The system allows a user to  
10 set a reminder or schedule a recording for a single  
episode or for each episode of a program series. In  
addition, other options may be provided that allow the  
user to determine, for example, whether to schedule  
reminders/recordings for episodes on all channels on  
15 which the program airs or only on a selected channels,  
whether to schedule reminders/recordings for all  
episodes including reruns or only new episodes, whether  
to schedule reminders/recordings for network or  
syndicated episodes, and whether to schedule  
20 reminders/recordings for episodes on all days or only  
on selected days of the week. Before the scheduled  
broadcast time of each episode of each selected program  
series, the system sends a reminder message to the user  
that reminds the user of the program episode or sends a  
25 record command to a videocassette recorder to initiate  
recording of the episode. The system allows a user to  
view a list of all currently requested program  
reminders and scheduled program recordings. The user  
may update, change, or cancel any entry in either list  
or the system may automatically update the lists to

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